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HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMANDER

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From: Commander South Pacific.
 To: Commanding General, South Pacific.
 Commander THIRD Amphibious Force.
 Commanding General, FIRST Marine Amphibious Corps.
 Commander Aircraft, South Pacific Force.
 Commanding General, I Island Command.
 Commanding General, II Island Command.
 Commanding General, III Island Command.
 Commanding General, IV Island Command.
 Commanding General, V Island Command.
 Commanding General, VI Island Command.

Subject: Technical Air (Crash) Intelligence.

1. The below named officers have been designated as Technical Air (Crash) Intelligence Inspectors for this headquarters. They and the men under their direction are to take complete charge of all crashed or captured enemy air force equipment. They have been especially trained for this work, and the results of their examinations are definite factors in the development of air combat tactics through up-to-date knowledge of the vulnerability, firepower and performance characteristics of enemy aircraft. Such examinations also contribute to long range strategic planning through knowledge gained of enemy production rates, production bottlenecks, and use of critical materials. Every possible aid consistent with combat operations will be given these officers.

John J. Daly, Jr.,	Lieut.	USNR
George Hall	Lieut.	USNR
William Jay Iselin	Lieut.	USNR
Jonathan H. Lesley	Lieut.	USNR
Ralph J. Shibles	Lieut. (jg)	USNR
Samuel H. Tolbert	1st. Lt.	USAAF
Frank B. Robbins	1st. Lt.	USAAF

2. It is directed that all necessary transportation, vehicles, communication facilities, guards, rations, labor, fuels and parts be supplied upon request and proper identification without further approval or authority from any headquarters. New or replacement personnel assigned to this work will be furnished with credentials identifying them as coming under the provisions herein set forth.

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3. It is requested that the provisions of this letter be brought to the attention of the forces under your command.

K. C. STROTHER
Acting Chief of Staff

H. E. STASSEN
Flag Secretary.

AIR MAIL

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